



March 13, 2003

Federal Election Commission
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL
999 E Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20463

Re: MUR 5349

Dear Ms. Stevenson,

We have been made aware that a complaint may have been filed with the Commission regarding 2002 activity in our federal campaign account, C00361139.

First, we want to inform you that I am the new custodian of records for our federal activity and I would ask that all future correspondence be directed to me at the below address

Second, I want to apologize and inform you that we have been made aware that appropriate filings have not been made for 2002 activity in our federal account. After we were made aware that the Minnesota Republican Party was trying to get local journalists to write a story about our federal filings, we investigated and discovered to our dismay that filings had not been completed.

[redacted], who has been receiving correspondence from the FEC, admitted to our investigators that she had been telling our staff that she was electronically filing our reports, but in reality she was not making reports and hiding inquiries from the FEC. As a result of our investigation, [redacted] was summarily dismissed.

We also want to inform you that all of our federal activity in 2002 has been fully disclosed in our state reports. The State of Minnesota requires disclosure of all contributors over \$100. We have voluntarily included all of our federal contributors over \$100 in our state filings. Therefore, we want to assure you that our federal contributors have been fully disclosed and made available to the public in Minnesota. We made these disclosures, even though the federal disclosure has a \$200 threshold, because we support the fullest possible disclosure.

Last week we submitted an electronic version of our previously submitted 2001 report and filed four quarterly reports for 2002. We believe that this has made us fully compliant with FEC reporting rules.

We want to be completely cooperative with any information or requests that you may have about our 2002 activity. Again, we apologize for the failure to make timely reports, and we want to let you know that we have corrected the situation so it will not occur in the future.

Sincerely,

Stephanie McCleerey
Interim Finance Director
Minnesota House DFL Caucus

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